

# Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary

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- ☒ Telephonic  
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## Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

Prior art documents discussed:


## Part II.

### SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

*a telephone call was made to Applicant to propose amending claim 1 in order to advance prosecution. Applicant agreed to amend claim 1 by incorporation of claim 5.*

## Part III.

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

  
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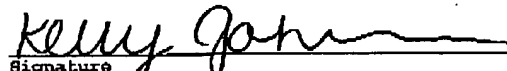
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RESPONSE TO TELEPHONIC REQUEST

Dear Sir:

Based on a telephonic conversation initiated by the Examiner on January 8, 2007, Applicant has moved the limitation of Claim 5 into Claim 1 and cancelled Claim 5 to place the application in condition for allowance. Claim 6 was amended to correct an informality created by the cancellation of Claim 5.

A copy of the amended claims is attached.

Claims 1 to 4 and 6 to 32 remain in the application. Claims 1 and 6 have been amended. Claim 5 was canceled. For the foregoing reasons, Applicant(s) respectfully request allowance of all pending claims. If the Examiner has any questions relating to the above, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned Attorney for Applicant(s).

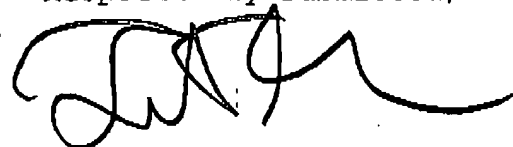
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This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings of claims in the instant application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A versioning Application Programming Interface (API) for a software platform based on an object-oriented platform-independent programming language, said versioning API comprising:

main interfaces defining versioning functionality,  
said main interfaces allowing access to the versioning functionality;

a functional implementation of said main interfaces,  
said functional implementation comprising classes and libraries implementing the versioning functionality, said classes including a reference to a program module to perform a requested versioning function;

native programming interfaces allowing code written in the object-oriented platform-independent language to operate with code written in a native language other than the object-oriented platform-independent language; and

a user interface for using the versioning functionality.

2. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 1, further comprising a communication mechanism implementing client-server functionality.

3. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 1 wherein said main interfaces comprising:

an interface-defining versioning server functionality;

an interface defining versioning client functionality;

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an interface defining versioning repository  
functionality;

an interface defining designated directory structures  
and access to the designated directory structures; and

an interface defining transactions between the  
designated directory structures.

4. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according  
to claim 3 wherein said main interfaces further comprising:

an interface defining file actions within a  
designated directory structure.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) The versioning API according to  
claim 51 wherein said functional implementation comprising:

classes and first libraries written in an object-  
oriented platform-independent programming language; and  
second libraries including software routines written  
in a native programming language other than the object-  
oriented platform-independent language, said second  
libraries implementing said native programming interfaces.

7. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according  
to claim 6 wherein said classes comprise:

an implementation class including:

a reference to a first library, said reference being  
invoked if a requested versioning function is implemented  
with the object-oriented platform-independent programming  
language; and

a reference to a native function and a second  
library, said reference being invoked, using a native  
programming interface, if a requested versioning function  
is implemented with the native programming language.

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8. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 6 wherein said functional implementation further comprising:

resource files available to said classes and libraries.

9. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 1 wherein the classes comprise:

a class BringoverFrom including a reference to a program module for copying master files stored in a first directory structure and thereby creating a set of working files; and

a class BringoverTo including a reference to a program module for storing the set of working files in a second directory structure.

10. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 9 wherein the classes further comprise:

a class PutbackFrom including a reference to a program module for copying the working files in the second directory structure and thereby creating a set of updated files; and

a class PutbackTo including a reference to a program module for replacing a corresponding set of the master files in the first directory structure with the set of updated files.

11. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 10 wherein the classes further comprise:

a class Conflict including:

a reference to a program module for receiving a request for replacing the master files with a set of updated files, and checking for a previous replacement of the master files with another set of updated files;

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a reference to said class PutbackTo;  
a reference to said class BringoverFrom; and a  
reference to said class BringoverTo.

12. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 11 wherein said reference to said class PutbackTo is invoked if there is no previous replacement of the master files.

13. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 11 wherein said reference to said class BringoverFrom and said reference to said class BringoverTo are invoked if there is a previous replacement of the master files.

14. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 10 wherein the classes further comprise:

a class Checkout including:

a reference to a program module for creating a writeable copy of a working file stored in the second directory structure; and

a reference to a program module for storing the writeable copy to a requested address; and

a class Checkin including:

a reference to a program module for copying the writeable copy of a requested address so as to create an updated working file; and

a reference to a program module for replacing the working file with the updated working file.

15. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 14 wherein the classes further comprise:

a class Lock including a reference to a program module for receive a request for creating a writeable copy of a working file and checking whether a writeable copy of the working file has already been created.

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16. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 9 wherein the classes further comprise:

a class Freezepoint including a reference to a program module for creating freezepoint files for files in a specified directory structure, the freezepoint files storing a specific time stamp and a then current version of the corresponding files.

17. (Previously Presented) The versioning API according to claim 1 wherein said user interface comprises at least one of:

a graphic user interface; and  
a command line interface.

18. (Original) A method for using version control functionality via a versioning Application Programming Interface (API) provided in a software platform based on an object oriented platform-independent programming language, said method comprising:

defining versioning functionality in main interfaces of said versioning API;

implementing the versioning functionality in classes and libraries of said versioning API, the libraries including:

first libraries written in an object-oriented platform-independent programming language, and

second libraries written in a native programming language other than the object-oriented platform-independent language; and

providing native programming interfaces allowing code written in the object-oriented platform-independent language to operate with code written in a native language other than the object-oriented platform-independent



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language, the second libraries including native programming interface implementation.

19. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 18, further comprising:

receiving, from a client, a request for a versioning function;

calling a class implementing the requested versioning function;

invoking a first library from the class, if the requested versioning function is implemented in the first library written in the object-oriented platform-independent program language; and

using a native programming interface from the class, so as to invoke a second library if a requested versioning function is implemented in the second library written in a native language other than the object-oriented platform-independent language.

20. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 18 wherein the classes and libraries are mounted with a versioning server application deployed to a hosting server running on the software platform, the software platform being based on the object-oriented platform-independent programming language, said method further comprising:

making a call for a method of a proxy object at the client, the proxy object being associated with a type of versioning transaction;

converting the call for a method to a request of the method;

transmitting the request to the hosting server; and

invoking a servlet at the hosting server to generate a response to the request, the servlet delegating processing of the request to a server object calling a class including the requested method;

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invoking, from the class, the method directly if the requested method is implemented in a first library written in the object-oriented platform-independent program language; and

invoking, from the class, the method using a native programming interface if the requested method is implemented in a second library written in a native language other than the object-oriented platform-independent program language.

21. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 20 wherein said making a call is performed with a graphic user interface.

22. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 20 wherein said making a call is performed with a command line interface.

23. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 18 wherein said defining versioning functionality comprising:  
defining versioning server functionality;  
defining versioning client functionality;  
defining versioning repository functionality;  
defining designated directory structures access to the designated directory structures; and  
defining transactions between the designated directory structures.

24. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 23 wherein said defining versioning functionality further comprising:  
defining file actions within a designated directory structure.

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25. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 18 wherein in said implementing, the versioning functionality is further implemented in resource files available to the classes and libraries.

26. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 18 wherein the versioning functionality implemented in classes and libraries comprises:

copying master files stored in a first directory structure and thereby creating a set of working files; and  
storing the set of working files in a second directory structure.

27. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 26 wherein the versioning functionality implemented in classes and libraries further comprises:

copying the working files in the second directory structure and thereby creating a set of updated files; and  
replacing the master files in the first directory structure with the set of updated files.

28. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 27 wherein the versioning functionality implemented in classes and libraries further comprises:

receiving a request for replacing the master files with a set of updated files, and checking for a previous replacement of the master files with another set of updated files;

calling said replacing if there is no previous replacement of the master files since a previous copying of the master files; and

calling said copying master files and said storing if there is a previous replacement of the master files since a previous copying of the master files.

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29. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 27 wherein the versioning functionality implemented in classes and libraries further comprises:

creating a writeable copy of a working file stored in the second directory structure; and  
storing the writeable copy to a requested address.

30. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29 wherein the versioning functionality implemented in classes and libraries further comprises:

copying the writeable copy so as to create an updated working file; and  
replacing the working file in the second directory with the updated working file.

31. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 30 wherein the versioning functionality implemented in classes and libraries further comprises:

receive a request for creating a writeable copy of a working file; and  
checking whether a writeable copy of the working file has already been created.

32. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 27 wherein the versioning functionality implemented in classes and libraries further comprises:

creating freeze point files for files in a specified directory structure, the freeze point files storing a specific time stamp and a then current version of the corresponding files.

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